

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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The purpose of this legislation is to begin the process of creating a searchable Internet based database that will essentially put the state of Idaho's checkbook online. This has already been done at the federal level and in at least five other states. The legislation begins the process by having the state Controller send out a request for information to the various departments and agencies ("respondent") of state government for the purpose of collecting information as to how easy or how difficult it will be for each respondent to integrate their data into this database. The Controller shall send out this request for information by July 1, 2009. Each agency or department will respond to the Controller by October 23, 2009. Should an agency or department not wish to participate in the database that the Controller's office will create; the respondent must propose a plan as to how that respondent will create their own similar stand alone searchable online database. Each respondent shall provide their October 23, 2009 report to the Controller's office with copies to Department of Financial Management and to Legislative Services Office.

FISCAL NOTE

There is no impact to the general fund.

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